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SUBJECT: THROWN SILK

1. CHAIRMAN OF THE 301 COMMITTEE (POMERANZ) CALLED IN TANABE OF JAPANESE EMBASSY ON JULY 6 AND BRIEFLY REVIEWED HISTORY OF US EFFORTS TO OBTAIN THE ELIMINATION OF JAPANESE RESTRICTIONS ON US EXPORTS OF THROWN SILK OVER THE LAST YEAR AND A HALF AND REPEATED FAILURE OF GOJ TO RESPOND THERETO. HE ALSO REITERATED THE US VIEW THAT THESE RESTRICTIONS ARE CLEARLY ILLEGAL UNDER THE GATT.

2. POMERANZ THEN INFORMED TANABE THAT THE US IS TAKING
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THE FOLLOWING IMMEDIATE STEPS:

(A) INSERTING A NOTICE IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER REQUESTING THE SUBMISSION OF PUBLIC VIEWS ON PROPOSED RETALIATORY ACTION IN THE FORM OF QUOTAS AND/OR INCREASED DUTIES AGAINST IMPORTS OF SILK MUFFLERS, SCARVES, SHAWLS, VEILS, AND HANDERCHIEFS FROM JAPAN.

(B) REQUESTING THAT THE AGENDA FOR THE NEXT MEETING OF THE GATT COUNCIL INCLUDE A US COMPLAINT AGAINST JAPAN UNDER GATT ARTICLE 23(2) WITH REFERENCE TO ILLEGAL QR'S ON THROWN SILK.

3. THE DISCUSSION CLOSED WITH TANABE STATING THAT HE HAD NOTHING NEW TO REPORT FROM TOKYO AND THAT HE WOULD CABLE TOKYO IMMEDIATELY OF US INTENTIONS. HE FULLY UNDERSTANDS THAT ONLY THROUGH IMMEDIATE REMEDIAL ACTION BY GOJ CAN PUBLICITY OR US ACTIONS BE AVERTED. HE APPRECIATED BEING INFORMED PRIOR TO TAKING OF ACTIONS BY USG. VANCE

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